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SUBJECT: HUMPHREY HEARINGS ON HUMAN RIGHTS

REF: ISLAMABAD 10562

1. THE SANCTIONS CONTAINED IN SECTION 502 (B)(C) OF INTERNATIONAL SECURITY ASSISTANCE AND ARMS EXPORT CONTROL ACT OF 1976 (TEXT POUCHED EMBASSY JULY 23), APPLICABLE TO ANY COUNTRY WHICH CONGRESS, BY JOINT RESOLUTION, FINDS ENGAGED IN CONSISTENT PATTERN OF GROSS HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS, DO ENCOMPASS CASH FMS SALES. MORE DETAILED EXPLANATION OF NEW LEGISLATION IS CONTAINED IN DEPARTMENT'S A-3590 OF JULY 20, 1976.

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2. MEMBER OF SENATOR HUMPHREY'S FOREIGN ASSISTANCE SUB-COMMITTEE STAFF INFORMALLY INDICATED TO DEPARTMENT (NEA/PAB) OCTOBER 15 THAT SUBCOMMITTEE WAS TAKING ITS RESPONSIBILITIES UNDER NEW LEGISLATION SERIOUSLY AND THAT STAFF MEMBERS WOULD VISIT OR HAD VISITED ALL 17 COUNTRIES REGARDING WHICH SENATOR HUMPHREY HAD REQUESTED ADVANCE REPORTS ON HUMAN RIGHTS. PAKISTAN WAS INCLUDED, STAFF MEMBER CONTINUED, BECAUSE OF OCCASIONAL ALLEGATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS VOICED BY AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL, INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION

OF JURISTS, AND NEWSPAPER REPORTERS. HE ADDED THAT SUB-COMMITTEE INCLUDED PAKISTAN ALSO AS PART OF EFFORT TO ACHIEVE IDEOLOGICAL AND GEOGRAPHICAL "BALANCE"--TO INCLUDE PAKISTAN AS WELL AS INDIA AND BANGLADESH. HE DID NOT FORESEE HEARINGS FOCUSSED ON PAKISTAN NEXT SPRING NOR ANY ACTION OF CONGRESS WITH REGARD TO HUMAN RIGHTS WHICH WOULD COMPLICATE OR SEVER PRESENT US ARMS SUPPLY RELATIONSHIP WITH PAKISTAN.

3. PAKISTAN EMBASSY OFFICERS HAVE ALSO BEEN MAKING IN-QUIRIES IN DEPARTMENT AND ON HILL ON THIS SUBJECT. INFORMATION IN PARAS 1 AND 2 MAY BE PASSED ON TO DR. HYDER. HABIB

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